













President Polk and Major Donelson.

It is the custom at present for the loco-foco organs to characterize Major Donelson as being entirely destitute of talent. Such was not the opinion of President Polk. After Major Donelson had remained in Texas some months, as Minister from the United States, his health became impaired, and he returned home. On his way he received a letter from Hon. J. Y. Mason, the Secretary of State under Mr. Polk, from which we clip the following short extracts:

WASHINGTON, August 7, 1845.

The services you have rendered your country in the delicate negotiations intrusted to you, are justly appreciated. Your prudence, discretion and ability, have inspired the President with a confidence which would make him feel more at ease, if that delicate task could be in your hands.

It gives me great pleasure to assure you that the publication of your official correspondence will give you a most favorable reputation for the highest qualities of a statesman and diplomatist.

The President united in the kindest regards with your friend, J. Y. MASON.

Major A. J. DONELSON.

President PIERCE has also characterized Major DONELSON as a scholar and a statesman, and in the last few months only has he been disparaged by any portion of the public press.—*New Albany Tribune.*

REAL NEW ENGLAND BROWN BREAD.—Take equal proportions of sifted rye and Indian meal, mix them well together; add half a tea cup full of molasses and two gills of good yeast to about three quarts of the mixed meal. Wet this with good new milk, sufficient to make a dough that can easily be worked, even with one hand.—For economy's sake, milk that has stood twelve hours, and from which the cream has been taken, may be a substitute for new milk; or water which has been pressed from boiled squash, or in which squash has been boiled, is a much better substitute than pure water. But water better is more commonly used. The ingredients should be thoroughly mixed, and stand in cold weather, for twelve hours; in warm weather two hours may be sufficient before baking. If baked in a brick oven, a three quart loaf should stand in the oven all night. The same quantity in three baking pans will bake in about three hours. Serve this warm from the oven, with good sweet butter, and we could feast upon it ever morning breakfast from January to December.—*Floor, Loom and Anvil.*

STRIKE THE KNOT.—When we were boys, little fellows, our father began to teach us to work, and we were anxious to perform the allotted tasks. We were splitting wood. A rough stick, with a most obstinate knot, tried all the skill and strength of a weak arm, and we were about to relinquish the task when father came along. He saw the piece of wood had been chipped down and the knot hacked around, and took the axe, saying, "Always strike the knot." The words have always remained safe in my memory. They are precious words, brethren. Never try to shun a difficulty, but look it right in the face; catch its eye, and you can subdue it as a man can a lion. It will cover before you and sneak away and hide itself. If you dread difficulties, they will grow upon you till they bury you in obscurity.—*Mass Teacher.*

GIRLS SHOULD LEARN TO KEEP HOUSE.—No young lady can be too well instructed in any thing which will affect the comfort of a family. Whatever position in society she occupies, she needs a practical knowledge of the duties of a housekeeper. Domestic labor is by no means incompatible with the highest degree of refinement and mental culture. Many of the most elegant, accomplished women I have known, have looked well to their household duties, and have honored themselves and their husbands by so doing.

CATTLE DYING.—We were informed by a gentleman from Caseyville yesterday, that on the American Bottom all about that region, cattle and horses are dying in hundreds, either from the effects of some poisonous herb growing there, or some virulent disease which has become epidemic among them. All those attacked manifest the same symptoms, and it is therefore probable that it is from the same cause.—*St. Louis Intelligencer.*

TEHRIBLE CASUALTY.—On Tuesday, night last, between the hours of twelve and one o'clock, the house of Mr. John Reigher, a laborer on the M. & S. R. R. at this place, was discovered to be on fire, and before sufficient aid could be rendered the entire building was enveloped in flames, too far gone for recovery. A child two years old perished in the fire, and the mother was severely burned, in trying to save the little one. She is now under the care of a physician, and hopes are entertained of her recovery.

We understand that the fire originated from under a barrel, in which Mr. R. was smoking some meat.—*Mishawaka Free Press.*

In our County Court, (writes an Eastern friend) one of our smart young lawyers was well come up with the other day. A witness, in a case of assault, was asked by the junior Counsel, "How far was you, Sir, from the parties when the alleged assault took place?"

"Four feet, five inches and a half," was the answer promptly given.

"Ah!" fiercely demanded the lawyer, "how came you to see so very exact as this?"

"Because," said the witness, very coolly, "I expected some confounded fool would likely as not ask me, and so I went and measured it."

A storekeeper purchased of an Irish woman, a quantity of butter, the lumps of which, intended for pounds, he "weighed in the balance and found wanting." "Sure it's your own fault if they are light," said Biddy, in reply to the complaint of the buyer, "it's your own fault, sir, for wasn't I a pound of soap I bought here meself, I had in the other end of the scales when I weighed 'em?" The storekeeper had nothing more to say on the subject.

A husband complains sadly at the price of "ducks." His wife recently bought three for \$270—viz: a duck of a dress, a "duck" of a parcel, and a "duck" of a bonnet.

NEW CLOTHING STORE.

The undersigned takes pleasure in saying that they are now opening an entirely new stock of goods, consisting of all kinds of Coats, Pants, and Vests, Gents' Furnishings, Shirts, Drawers, Cravats, Collars, Cocks, Hats, Gloves, &c.

Also, a first rate stock of good Cloths, Cassimeres, Sateens, Cuckers, Linens, Drills, Satins, Firmers' Suits, &c., &c., together with a good assortment of Hats, Caps, Canes—in a word, almost every thing a gentleman may want to fit him out in the most fashionable style, at **SOLD VERY LOW FOR CASH**, or exchanged for country produce.

Cutting, making, and repairing garments carefully attended to.

You would do well to call and examine our stock and prices before purchasing elsewhere. So come along, and examine our stock. We will treat you kindly and dress you nicely for very little money.

Our store is immediately west of the Banner office, in the brick building south of the Court-house—Greencastle, Ind.

J. R. ALLEN.

VALUABLE LAND—A Chance for Bargains.

Notice is hereby given, that I will sell at private sale the following real estate, to-wit: The north east quarter and the south west quarter of section 35, and the north west quarter of section 34, and the south east quarter of section 25, township 14, north of range 6 west, in the south east corner of Parke county; also, the south west fractional quarter of section 33, and the west half of the south east quarter and the north east quarter of the south east quarter of section 13, in township 13, north of range 6 west, in the north east corner of Clay county; also, the east half of the south east quarter and the south west half of the south east quarter of section 18, and the east half of the south west quarter of section 18, in township 13, north of range 5 west, in Washington township, Putnam county, Indiana.

Said land is on the north side of the Terre Haute and Richmond Railroad. The timber on the land is very valuable, and since the completion of the Terre Haute and Alto Railroad it can be taken to the State of Illinois. This will be a rare chance for speculation. One half of the purchase money will be required in hand, the balance in payments, a deed to be made when the first purchase money is paid, and a mortgage to secure the balance. Sold as the property of Dr. John H. Rensch by me, at Greencastle, Ind.

JOHN S. JENNINGS.

VALUABLE MILL FOR SALE.

I wish to sell my mill property, together with my dwelling house and two other houses adjoining—a stable, out-houses, &c., 17 acres of land, one half of which is in Parke county. There is a good young orchard on the premises. The mill is run by water power, which is sufficient to do almost any amount of grinding and sawing. For further particulars, enquire of the proprietor who will be found on the premises. JOHN HENRY.

Feb. 27, '56-3\*

NOTICE is hereby given, that at the December term of the Court of Common Pleas of Putnam county, after final settlement of the estate of Isophene Hunter, deceased, about the sum of twelve hundred and fifty-six dollars were found remaining for distribution among the heirs. Said heirs are therefore notified to appear on the first day of the next term of said Court, and prove their heirship, and receive their distribution.

JACOB MCGINNIS, Clerk.

Jan. 2, 1856-3\* C. C. P. of Putnam co.

PETITION.—Notice is hereby given, that a petition will be presented to the Board of county business in and for the county of Putnam, in the State of Indiana, at their June term next for the purpose of vacating a certain portion of the road in the County of Indiana, to-wit: All that portion lying on the north side of the Terre Haute and Richmond Railroad, together with that part of said town lying wholly east of a direct line running south from the eastern extremity of Section 18, said town of Clay.

February 13, 1856—Printers' fee, \$1 00.

STATE OF INDIANA, Putnam County.

In the Putnam Circuit Court, to Spring Term.

George H. Freeman vs. Divorce.

Julia Freeman.

BEIT KNOWN, that on this 14th day of January, 1856, the said plaintiff, by George H. Freeman, his attorney, filed in the Clerk's office of the circuit court of said county, his complaint against said defendant for a divorce, together with the affidavit of a disinterested and competent witness by which it appears that said defendant is a non-resident of the State of Indiana, she is therefore hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint, and that the same will stand for trial at the next term of said Court, to-wit: On the 1st day of April, 1856.

February 20, 1856—pr. fee, 2 dols.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the undersigned has been appointed administrator of the estate of Susan A. McAffie, late of Putnam county, deceased. Said estate is supposed to be solvent. WILLIAM H. McAFFIE.

Feb. 20, '56-3\* Administrator.

Thornbrough's Estate.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the undersigned has been appointed administrator of the estate of William Thornbrough, late of Putnam county, Indiana, deceased. Said estate is supposed to be solvent.

WILLIAM H. TYLER, Adm'r.

Feb. 12, 1856-3\*

STATE OF INDIANA, Putnam County.

In the Putnam Circuit Court, To April term, 1856.

Richard Sinkler vs. Civil action.

John McNary, Sec. Mary Legg, Wm. Legg, & the unknown heirs of George Legg.

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the 23d day of January, 1856, the plaintiff, by Secrest & Darnall, his attorneys, filed in the Clerk's office of the Circuit Court of said county his complaint against said defendants, together with the affidavit of a disinterested and competent witness, by which it appears that the said defendants, Mary Legg and William Legg, and the unknown heirs of George Legg, deceased, are residents of the State of Indiana; they are therefore notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint, and that the same will stand for trial at the next term of said Court, to-wit: On the 1st day of April, 1856.

Monday in April next.

JACOB MCGINNIS, Clerk.

Jan. 30, '56-3\*

STATE OF INDIANA, Putnam County.

In the Putnam Circuit Court, To April term, 1856.

Samuel Brown, Samuel Collier, and Sam'l Call vs. Civil action.

Philip Carpenter and George W. Call.

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 23d day of January, 1856, the plaintiffs, by Secrest & Darnall, their attorneys, filed in the Clerk's office of the Circuit Court of said county their complaint against said defendants, together with the affidavit of a disinterested and competent witness, by which it appears that George W. Call, the plaintiff, is a resident of the State of Indiana; he is therefore hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint, and that the same will stand for trial at the next term of said Court, to-wit: On the 1st day of April, 1856.

Monday in April next.

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Jan. 30, '56-3\*

AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY.

Livingston, Fargo & Co., Buffalo, New York  
Wells, Butterfield & Co., New York City  
GREENCASTLE, IND.  
Two daily Expresses to New York.  
Two daily Expresses to Cincinnati.  
Two daily Expresses to Chicago.  
Two daily Expresses to St. Louis.  
This is the only privileged Express Co. on the Indiana Indianapolis.  
Lafayette & Indianapolis.  
Indianapolis & Peru.  
Indianapolis & Pittsburgh & Cleveland.  
New Albany & Salem.  
(from Greencastle to Michigan City.)  
Two Expresses daily on the route from Indianapolis to Peru. Order goods marked "via American Express Co." Currency, valuables, packages and freight carried with safety and dispatch by special messengers.  
H. W. DANIELS, Agent.  
Oct 17, '55-4\*

TO ALL WHOM IT CONCERNS.

Those knowing themselves indebted to JAS. D. STEVENSON by account or notes due will please come forward and settle promptly. Must close up the year's business either with or without cash. Come forward, gentlemen, and pay up. Yours, respectfully,  
JAS. D. STEVENSON.  
Greencastle, Ind. 16, '56-4\*

STATIONARY, wrapping paper, slates, pens, pencils, sand boxes, ink stands, ink of all kinds, &c., at DICKS' BOOK STORE.

BANCROFT'S History of the United States (illustrated) for sale on the southeast corner of the public square, first door in the three story brick, at DICKS' BOOK STORE.

PORTFOLIOS, Harker's Cases, Note books, Albums, Scrap books, Envelopes, and blank books of all descriptions for sale at Oct. 24, '55-4\* DICKS' BOOK STORE.

THE Great Harmonia, (by A. J. Davis,) for sale at DICKS' BOOK STORE.

ROPE: ROPE! ROPE!!!—all sizes and kinds of rope, for sale at DORSEY & JONES.

VACANT LOTS FOR SALE.—The subscriber has two lots—desirable ones, two situated in Berry's Enlargement in the southern part of Greencastle, which he will dispose of on easy terms. For further particulars, enquire at the Webb House, Greencastle, or address WILL. VANPOSSEN, Greencastle, Ind.

TAKEN UP, Dec. 15th, 1855, by James McCannick, in Jefferson township, Putnam county, one stray cow, supposed to be one year old last spring, mostly white with some red spots on each side and red ears, with a split in the left ear. Appraised to \$12 by John Stoops and Charles Grimes, the 31st day of December, 1855, before Jacob McGinnis, Clerk.

Attest: JACOB MCGINNIS, Clerk.

Jan. 9, '56-3\*

Annual Circular of the Waveland Presbytery Academy, for the year Ending July 18, 1855.

THIS Institution is located at Waveland, Montgomery co., Ind., a village free from temptations to which students are exposed in large cities, and is situated in the State in point of healthfulness, industry and wholesome moral and religious influences.

Character of the Institution.—It is designed to combine intellectual with moral culture. The course of study is similar to that pursued in our best Institutions, affording unusual facilities for thorough instruction in the studies preparatory to a theological course, and in the English and Scientific branches.

The Bible is made a daily text-book and its precepts in religion, science, and government, are sought to be inculcated.

Students, Tuition, Board, &c.—The academic year is divided into three terms of three weeks each. The first term of the next year will commence on the 13th of September; the second on the 2d of January, 1856; the 3d on the 16th of April.

The following are the rates of tuition per session: English branches, \$4 00

Latin and higher Mathematics, 5 00

Instrumental Music, 2 00

Use of Instrument, 2 00

Incidental fee, 25

Boarding can be obtained in private families from \$1 75 to \$2 per week.

Female Department.—At the beginning of next session a regular Female Department will be opened in the new building now in course of erection, affording young ladies an opportunity of taking a course of study as thorough as that pursued in the male department.

A well qualified Female Teacher will take charge of this department from the first.

Arrangements have also been made with an accomplished Teacher to give instruction in instrumental Music, French and Vocal Music taught without additional charge.

REMARKS.—The number in attendance during the past year is 219, embracing students from five different States. Having secured the assistance of a Female Teacher, a Teacher of Instrumental Music, and an additional building, we hope that we shall continue to receive the patronage of an educating public.

S. KRITZ, J. M. COYNER, Associate Principals.

July 25, '55-m3

NEW Grocery Establishment.

The undersigned has just opened on the east side of the square, one door south of Blake & Whites', and next door to the Hardware Store, a general assortment of Groceries, which he intends to keep constantly on hand, of such quality as will render his establishment, consisting in part of the following articles:

N. O. Sugar; Rice; Crushed do; Fish; Coffee; Soda; Tea; Molasses; Pickles; Soap; Catsup; Raisins; Pepper sauce; Peas; Beans; Apples; Cakes; Butter; Eggs; Walnuts; Buckets; Filberts; Tobacco; Prunes; Brooms; &c.

And many other articles too tedious to mention. All of which will be sold at a small advance. Persons wishing to purchase such articles are respectfully invited to call before buying elsewhere.

may 16, '55-4\* B. F. HAYS.

Duckworth & Hubbard,

succors to H. B. Holmes, would respectfully call the attention of the citizens of Greencastle and vicinity, to their large stock of Groceries, just received at the old stand, consisting in part of Rio and Java coffee; leaf, crushed, and pulverized; white sugar; No. 1 rice; New Orleans sugar; allspice; pepper; ginger; cloves; nutmegs; mace; young hyson, black, gunpowder and imperial teas; New Orleans molasses and golden syrup; and corn, white fish, &c.

They have also a large stock of wooden ware, painted and cedar buckets, tubs, churns; half bushels, peck and half peck measures; brooms; wicker and chair seats; brooms; and trays; a large variety of fruits, both fresh and preserved, and a large amount of other articles too tedious to mention, all of which they will sell cheap for cash on trade.

A large stock of Cigars, half Spanish, Cuba Sixes, Principes, Colorados, and Imperials, allways on hand.

april 18, '56-4\*

GLASS! GLASS!! GLASS!!!

for sale at HARDWARE STORE.

RAGS, Old Castings, Copper, and Country iron taken in exchange for goods at the store below.

dec 13, '54-4\* J. D. STEVENSON.

TO REBENT.—A comfortable dwelling house containing six rooms, good spring, cistern, smoke house, wood house, stable, &c., with a good bearing orchard of choice fruit.

For terms, &c., enquire of D. W. STANFORD.

nov 25, '55-4\*

SCHOOL BOOKS.—You will find school books of all kinds, at the new book store, in the corner of the square, at the Exchange bank, two doors east of Southard's, on the southeast corner of the public square.

oct 17, '55-4\* O. DICKS.

GREENCASTLE AGENCY

Great consideration—that of receiving a remuneration for property destroyed by fire, by a small tax levied on the insured. The undersigned would say to the citizens of Putnam county that he is agent for the Hartford Fire Insurance Company, established in 1813, capital \$300,000. It has stood the test of the most destructive fires in America, which have caused serious losses to fail. Pays all claims in sixty days after they are established. Great inducement offered for insurance on dwelling and business houses. Time is money. Office at the Hardware Store on the east side of the square.

nov 29, '54-4\* R. S. DORSEY.

THE UNIVERSITY Family Medicines!

Is under the Seal, Sanction and Authority of the University of Free Medicine and Popular Knowledge, chartered by the State of Pennsylvania, April 29, 1853, with a capital of \$100,000, mainly for the purpose of arresting the evils of spirituous and worthless Nostrums. Also, for the relief of the poor and afflicted, and to give wherever a competent physician cannot or will not be employed. This Institution has purchased from Dr. John K. Rowand, his celebrated

Rowand's Tonic Mixture!

known for upwards of twenty-five years as the only pure and reliable medicine.

It is his inestimable Remedy for Bowel Complaints, Rowand's Compound Syrup of Blackberry Root, which highly approved and popular Remedy, together with

The University's Remedy for Complaints of the Lungs;

The University's Remedy for Dyspepsia or Indigestion;

The University's Remedy for Coughs, Croup, Whooping Cough, &c.

at the Branch Dispensary, or Store of

E. D. GAGG, Greencastle, Ind.

and BUIK & DAVIS, Greencastle, Ind.

nov 21, '55-m4

BOOT AND SHOE EMPORIUM.

BEVANS & JORDAN having formed a partnership in the Boot and Shoe business, would respectfully inform the citizens of Greencastle and vicinity, that they have just received direct from the east, a splendid stock of boots and shoes, manufactured in the best style, and which we are determined to sell at the lowest prices.

We are also prepared to manufacture work at the shortest notice, and in the most fashionable style.

Shop, on the east side of the square, one door north of the corner, room formerly occupied as a book store.

oct 3, '55-4\* EVANS & JORDAN.

STATE OF INDIANA, Putnam county.

Before Hiram Marshall, Mayor of the town of Greencastle.

Reuben Gagnon vs. Attachment.

John M. Hunter.

BE IT KNOWN that on the 24th day of August, 1855, said plaintiff filed in my office a certain note against said defendant, as also an affidavit and undertaking according to the Statute in such cases made and provided; and be it further known, or remembered, that said affidavit alleges that said defendant is a non-resident of this State, and that he had good reason to believe that one Henry Hunter had in his possession moneys or property of said defendant to the amount, or more, of said note, whereupon said Henry Hunter appeared before me, and swore to the truth of the contents of the said note, and that he was justly indebted to said John M. Hunter in an amount greater than the amount due on said note, whereupon this cause is set down for trial on Friday the 18th day of January, 1856, at 10 o'clock a. m., of said day.

Said defendant (John M. Hunter) is therefore hereby notified of the pendency of said attachment suit, and that the same stands for trial before me on Friday the 18th day of January, 1856, at my office in the town of Greencastle, and that the same will be heard and determined on the said 18th day of said month, (January, 1856).

HIRAM MARSHALL, Mayor.

dec 25, '55-prs. fee, \$4

NEW Fall and Winter Goods.

I have just received a large and well selected stock of Fall and Winter Goods. My stock is complete, comprising everything generally kept in dry goods houses.

I respectfully solicit an examination of my stock, and waiting orders for the purchase of buying goods. I make no vain boasts, that I will sell cheaper and better goods than any other merchants.

JOSEPH H. CROW.

N. B.—I wish to buy 10,000 bushels of good wheat, for which I will pay the highest market price in cash.